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Greetings –

The final **Assessment of Potential Mining Impacts on Salmon Ecosystems of Bristol Bay, Alaska**, was released today by EPA. The report concludes that large-scale mining in the Bristol Bay watershed poses risks to salmon, wildlife and Native Alaska cultures. Bristol Bay supports the largest sockeye salmon fishery in the world, producing nearly 50 percent of the world's wild sockeye with runs averaging 37.5 million fish each year.

You can read the Bristol Bay Assessment Report, the Executive Summary and the Fact Sheet online at www.epa.gov/bristolbay

You can also read a copy of today's [news release](#)

Public input, expert peer review and tribal consultation and coordination strengthened the document by providing local information, adding scientific and traditional knowledge, correcting errors, making clarifications and ensuring that the analysis was complete and accurate. You can view the EPA Response to Peer Review Comments on the EPA website. The EPA Response to Public Comments will be posted online in the near future.

Thank you for your interest in the EPA Bristol Bay Assessment.

Sincerely,

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